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CRISP LOCAL ITEMS.

Concerning People and Home Events of Interest to All.

Robt. Wright of Roland was in to see us recently.

William Coffman, of Roseland orders The Democrat to his address.

Miss Clara Louie Cole, of Dallas, visited in McKinney last week.

A big revival meeting has begun at Wylie.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Rogers are recovering from a spell of sickness.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Cole heard Col. Ingersoll's lecture in Sherman last Thursday night.

C. T. (Tobe) Fox, a well to do West Collin farmer, is one of The Democrat's recent subscribers.

W. Morris of Wylie, one of Collin's strongest populists, was in the city Friday and remembered the printer.

Jot Woodall, of Verona was in McKinney Friday. He has our thanks for renewal of subscription.

Mrs. J. L. Todd returnd, Thursday, from Bonham where she was the guest of Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Morris.

W. B. Bush, of Chestnut Hill, Jefferson county, Tennessee, has arrived in Texas and says he is well pleased with Collin county.

A gray mule suddenly turned his hoofs to the daisies, Thursday, while standing hitched to a wagon on the square. Heart trouble seems to be fatal sometimes to both man and beast.

The populists organized a club here last Saturday with a fair membership. Col. Thurman, a populist of state-wide reputation, addressed the assembly.—Wylie Rustler.

Rev. Henry Guyer of Panhandle City, Texas, is visiting the families of E. R. Maxey and S. Humphries. He is a brother of Mrs. Maxey.—Nevada Newsletter.

J. Frank Snyder has returned from Kentucky after an absence of more than a year. The boys will come back to old Collin.

A paper was circulated in McKinney last Friday for the benefit of Joe Morris whose residence containing all his possessions had burned the night before. Morris has a large family and resided south of McKinney near Scalf school house.

An exciting case was tried before Squire Faulkner' stribunal last Wednesday and Thursday. G. H Dowlin vs P. E. Denton and others for possession of the brick which Denton has sub-rented for a hotel and saloon. The trial created somewhat of a sensation. Messrs Abernathy & Beverly represented the plaintiff and Smith & Evans the defendants. The jury went out on the case Thursday evening and soon returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff.

The McKinney Brownies, base ball club, have organized for the coming season and are now ready and anxious to cross bats with any other boy nine in the state. The players are: Welden Franklin, catcher; Leddy, White and Taylor, pitchers, Harry White, first base; John Hill, second base; Charlie Leddy, third base; Mort Oliver, short stop; Mack Stoufer, left field; Marcus Johson, center field; Major Taylor, right field and Jake Barnes, sub.

Marriage Bells.

Licenses to wed issued by County Clerk J. A. Walden since our last report:

J A Paxe	and Miss	V D Carpenter
W Neathery	" "	Effie Cox
E C Setliff	" "	Gertie Coffey
Walter Ford	" Mrs	Mary Ford
M I Ford	" Miss	O B Rainwater
H T Lane	" "	Lalie Wright
I M Steele	" "	M F Jackson
A J Aycock	" "	Eliza Grisham.

St. Valentine's Day.

Last Friday was St. Valentine day and the little fellows were on the alert. Before and after school hours a grand rush was made on uncle Sam. They stood in large groups around the post office window, each one anxiously waiting for his or her turn to come. Little eyes sparkled with expectation before asking for the mail. The reporter stood and watched them. It was a sad sight to see the disappointed ones pass quietly out some of whom showed their tears visibly. Miss Ona Cameron said that she would take a hundred Saturdays in preference to Valentine day, as far as the clerical was concerned.

A woman will be drafted for service in the French army next year for the reason that at her birth she was erroneously registered as a male child. Though the officials are cognizant of the blunder, red tape makes it essential for her to present herself for milli

BLUSH FOR SHAME.

Do Decent and Honorable men, when found Voting In Democratic Primaries.

SO SAYS A HITHERTO ADMINISTRATION ADVOCATE.

The News man called upon Hon. Frank W. Ball, of Ft Worth, who has heretofore been among the stanchest friends of the state administration, and asked him what he had to say of the existing political situation in this state so far as the democracy is concerned. Said he:

"I am so utterly disgusted with the national democracy, the state democracy, the county democracy and the city democracy that although I have never voted any other ticket than the democratic in my life, or scratched a democratic nominee from a ticket I am strongly inclined in view of the present condition of the party and remembering its past failings to abandon it altogether and forswear party conventions and party affiliation from henceforth and forever, and to exercise my own judgment in casting my ballots for candidates.

"As to the national democracy, it stands divided in the hall of congress and almost in every state either upon the silver question or the tariff, and it is difficult for a sincere party man to ascertain which wing represents the national organization. As to the state democracy, it seems to me that it has flown into as many pieces as a joint snake, and it is about as hard to tell which portion represents the true organization as it is to tell which piece of the joint snake represents the reptile proper.

The democracy of the state as represented in the last legislature signally failed to redeem their party's pledges to the people, and especially in regard to the reduction of official fees. They allowed themselves to be led off by a gang of paid lobbyists who were backed up and furnished with finances by cliques and rings of office holders who were then and are now making a moderate fortune out of each year's salary, and passed no fee bill whatever. I here pledge myself for one to vote against every one of these so-called democrats who betrayed their constituents in this manner, and, further, to vote against every county official who furnished either money or influence to this fee gang lobby in Austin. He may be nominated by every kind of a democratic convention that can be trumped up, but I propose to stand upon my reserved right as a man and refuse to be bound by any such convention.

"As to the county democracy, and speaking for Tarrant county democrats, it is somewhat difficult to ascertain its whereabouts and when ascertained to work one's self up to the point of agreeing to follow its leadership. It is a well known fact in this county that its conventions are dominated and controlled by the city delegates and that the true and faithful democrats residing in the county are ignored or shouted under and driven out of the convention hall when it is necessary to effect the purpose of the so-called city democrats. So far as organized democracy in the city of Fort Worth is concerned, it is a broad and laughing farce. Each candidate for nomination before these primaries drags in republicans, both of the black and tan and lily white variety, and populists as well as all the peripatetic tramps and vagabonds they can lay their hands on and vote them in the so-called democratic primaries.

"Decent and honorable men are occasionally found in these primaries, but they invariably blush for shame when identified and voluntarily pledge themselves never to attend another. The gravest part of the transaction is that these so-called democratic primaries of the city have an absolutely controlling voice in the county convention and a large voice in state conventions. I can only say that while I do not go so far as to pledge myself to vote against the nominees of these so-called democratic primaries, yet I am bound to consider the fact of his being nominated by them as prima facie evidence that he is not a fit person to vote for.

"Entertaining these feelings and sentiments, is it surprising that I should say that I care very little about what the democratic executive committee has done or has failed to do, and that I decline to pledge myself to the support of their action or that of any party action?"—Dallas News.

Whose Country is This Anyway?

A London syndicate owns 3,000,000 acres of land in one body in Texas. This is equal to five full-sized counties. There are two other English syndicates and several English individuals who own more land in Texas than any American does, or ever will own. One English noblemen, Viscount Scully, owns 3,000,000 acres in Illinois. The Dutchess of Marlborough, and others connected with her, own 2,000,000 acres in Florida. Another English syndicate owns 1,800,000 acres in Mississippi. Besides, these English capitalists own in this country about 68,000,000 acres of land in the different states, and American citizens, for the use of this land, or any part of it, must pay these Englishmen for the privilege. Most of this land has been acquired in a few years, and at the present rate of investment, it will not be many years before our people will be at the mercy of English nobles for the privilege of shelter and the chance to till American soil. Besides this there has been given to railroad corporations nearly 200,000,000 acres of land, most of which is held, directly or indirectly, by foreign money-lenders. Foreigners also own over $5,000,000,000 of national state and corporation bonds, upon which $200,000,000 annually in interest must be sent abroad. And still the great hue and cry is that we must do nothing to prevent foreign investments in this country. It may be interesting to estimate the time that will elapse before foreigners will own the entire country, and the people that are in it. Is this really our country? Or does it not belong to foreign capitalists? At least, do they not own a "controlling interest" in it already? and what are we going to do about it?—Farm and Ranch.

Tammany Stands by Croker.

New York, Feb. 14.—A meeting of Tammany leaders was held at the Wigwam to-night, the occasion being the consideration of the action of ex-Register John Reilly at the Croker dinner Saturday night last, when he promptly demanded to know who made John C. Sheehan leader.

The meeting to-night was harmonious and a vote of confidence was extended to Mr. Sheehan in the form of a resolution.

The climax to the meeting was the election of Mr. Croker as an honorary member of the executive committee.

Mr. Croker and Mr. Reilly were not present at the meeting to-night.

Hotbed of Politics.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 14.—The law department of the state university is a hotbed of politics, and great is the eloquence expended there in the discussion of political issues. Every important question has its friends and enemies and the discussions and arguments engaged in often disclose a versatility that would be a credit to men much older and more experienced than these young "limbs of the law."

The latest question engaging the minds of these students is that of free silver coinage, and to arrive at a definite conclusion a vote was taken by the class. The total votes cast were 88, and of these 58, were against the free coinage of silver and 30 for. These young men come from all parts of the state, with but few exceptions are all democrats, and if their opinion is any criterion to go by, a majority of the democrats of Texas are against the free and unlimited coinage of the white metal.

At an early day Prof. Houston will deliver a lecture on the financial question before the law class in response to a petition signed by eighty-two students requesting him to do so.

The U. S. Gov't Reports show Royal Baking Powder superior to all others.

LA GRIPPE REMAINS.

For Years in the System if Not Cured.

This county countains a large multitude of men and women who are debilitated and weak as the effort of la grippe. If every one would do as the Reverend Petty, of Virginia, did, this vast multitude of sufferers would soon be well and strong again. He writes:

Last winter I had a very bad case of la grippe—which left me enfeebled and liable to cold at the slightest exposure. I tried a number of remedies, but they afforded only temporary relief. I saw an advertisment of Pe-ru-na and concluded to try it. I have been using it for two months, and it has afforded me much relief. It is indeed a panacea to me. It has invigorated me more than anything I ever tried. I have recommended it to others and advised them to send for your pamphlets. I have written of it to distant friends. You can use this statment in any way you choose.

REV. H. PETTY, Baptist, Dry Fork, Va. For further particulars and a multitude of witnesses write to The Pe-ru-na Drug Manufacturing Company, Columbus, Ohio, for a free copy of their illustrated treatist on la grippe. Pe-ru-na is also a sure cure for catarrh, cough, colds bronchitis, first stage of consumption, and climatic diseases of winter.

Political Dates.

Populist national convention, St. Louis, July 22.

Republican national convention St. Louis, June 16.

Democratic national convention Chicago, July 7.

Collin county populist precinct conventions August 1.

The Collin county populist nominating convention meets in McKinney, Aug. 8.

Democratic state convention, (called by Chairman Dudley's committee) in Austin, June 25, to elect delegates to the national convention.

Democratic state nominating convention (called by Chairman Dudley's committee) meets in Fort Worth Aug. 18.

Democratic primary (called by Chairman Dudley) June 6 to select delegates to the Austin convention June 25 and to Fort Worth convention Aug. 18; also to determine the democratic party's financial policy.

The people's party executive committee for the 5th congressional district meets in Sherman March 2 for the purpose of fixing time and place for a congressional convention.

Presidential Vote.

The Missouri World's presidential vote up to Feb. 5, stood as follows:

Wm V Allen	585
T E Watson	282
E V Debs	115
J B Weaver	98
J S Coxey	79
O I Jones	50
D H Waite	37
S F Norton	27
I Donnelly	19
J C Sibley	14
W A Peffer	13
W M Stewart	11
Jerry Simpson	6
W H Harvey	6
Gov Altgeld	6
W S Morgan	6
John Davis	5
Marion Butler	4
Jesse Harper	4
Scattering	21

Populists in the Fifth.

Sherman, Tex., Feb. 8.—To the committee and others: The populist executive committee of the fifth congressional district is hereby called to meet in Sherman on Monday, the 2d day of March at 10 a. m., for the purpose of fixing the time and place for a congressional convention, to perfect organization and for such other action as may be considered necessary to advance the interests of populism in said district. In addition to the members of the committee I earnetly request the executive committee of each county in the district to appoint ten or more active, earnest workers as delegates to attend said meeting.

Populist papers of the district will please copy.

D. E. Lyday,
Chairman Executive Committee.
Fifth Congressional District.

ALLIANCE DEPARTMENT.

[MISS CORA CALDWELL OFFICIAL EDITOR.]

(All communications and notices suitable for insertion under this caption should be addressed to the editor at Climax, Tex.)

DIRECTORY.

County alliance meets with New Hope alliance, in McKinney, Apr. 15. Officers: A. C. Stroup, Pres., Verona; Miss Sallie Stroup, Sec., Verona.

SUB-ALLIANCES.

Snow Hill—Meets first and third Thursday nights.
W. P. Bilderback, Pres. Fayburg.
W. C. Reed, Sec., Fayburg

New Hope—Meets in McKinney second and fourth Saturdays at 2 p. m.
M. W. Younger, Pres.
W. B. Wilson, Sec.

Vreona:—Meets second and fourth Thursday nights.
A C. Stroup, Pres., Verona.
T. L. Bailey, Sec.,

Sister Grove Alliance meets second and fourth Thursday nights.
A R Recer, pres., Climax.
A D Snyder, sec., Climax.

An alliance was organized at Blue Ridge with 21 members. Good!

Sister Grove alliance met last Thursday night and attended to some important business. All members and especially officers are earnestly requested to be present at the next meeting.

We hope when the county alliance meets in April there will be no charges brought up against the editor for not doing her duty. It is not reasonable to suppose that she can sit by her fireside and write of the wonderful work the alliance is accomplishing in the county unless she is informed of the fact by their secretaries. It is not every woman who possesses a brain capable of reasoning alliance notes without some bit of interesting facts for a foundation and your present editor fails to possess such a wonderful brain.

All secretaries will please remember the call of last week and send in their reports. Let us get to work at once for there is no time for delay.

Notice Secretaries!

Secretaries of all sub-alliances in Collin county will please send in their respective directories at once for insertion in these columns.

PROM BENJAMIN.

Farmersville Has a Great Religious Revival.

Our merchants complain of business being very dull.

The continued rains and so much mud is worrying us all.

Our farmer friends are making preparations for the new crop, but complain about rains delaying them in their work. Some contemplate sowing oats soon. The acreage in cotton will be some larger this year than last.

Quite a number of our people are suffering from colds and la grippe.

The protracted meeting going on at the M. E. church has resulted in much good to our little city and surrounding communities. There have been something over one hundred conversions up to date, and prospects bid fair for many more. Much praise is due Rev. Casey, the pastor, and Evangelist Kilgore for their untiring energy for being the means of bringing so many to a realization of their condition spiritually. Evangelist Kilgore will commence a revival meeting at Wylie next Sunday and if his efforts are crowned with success there as they have been here, then his going will be worth untold good to Wylie and her people. Rev. W. L. Clifton of Fairalie, Hunt county, made a flying visit to our city Monday and returned home Tuesday. His many friends will be glad to know that his health is much improved since retiring from the ministry.

Our public school is moving along nicely under the able management of Prof. Reed and his assistants.

We are informed that our new brick school building is crowded to overflowing with the large attendance of pupils which speaks well for the able manner in which our school is conducted.

Knowing that space is valuable please excuse my lenghthy letter I promise to be more brief in the future.

Benjamin,

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

NEWSY NOTES

From Everywhere Carefully Compiled and Coudensed for The Democrat Readers.

For the first time in a half century the American Niagara falls have run dry.

T. D. Austin at Velasco, Tex., was kicked to death by a mule.

The United States senate killed the tariff bill last week and the lower house killed the free silver bill.

Sam Thompson a brakeman at Glidden, Tex., fell between the cars and had both legs cut off.

Adolph Gerckins, aged 61, committed suicide with laudanum at Galveston. He had a wife and three step sons. He left letters stating that he was tired of life.

N. T. Beverly of Eagle Lake, Tex., was found dead in the road. Supposed that he had fallen from his buggy as his neck was broken. His horse and buggy were found near by.

A report is current that Dr. Fridtjof Nanfsen, a Norwegian who sailed for the arctic region June 24, 1893, has returned and states that he found the north pole and discovered land thereabouts.

The democratic executive committee of McLennan county met at Waco and set the time for holding county primary elections. The committee disregarded Chairman Dudley's call.

State Superintendent J. M. Carlisle was married at Hillsboro on the 15th inst., to Mrs. Julia Sturgis of that city.

Hillsboro will have another local option election on March 7. It will be remembered that local option went into effect there about two years ago.

The wife of Dr. V. Read of Holland, Tex., was accidently given a dose of carbolic acid for paregoric last Friday.

W. S. Porter, a Houston bank book-keeper was arrested last week for alleged embezzlement.

James Clark of Hennessey, Okla. drank an ounce of carbolic acid on the 11th inst., which he mistook for whiskey, and died in forty minutes.

THE FIAT VERSUS GOLD.

References to the History of Other Countries and Our Own Which Are Timely.

The fiat of the republic of Venice that all debts and taxes should be paid in the credits of the Bank of Venice, and that such credits should forever be exempt from forced sale, made the purely fiat money of the Bank of Venice the best money in the world for 600 years. The mere use of the fiat power of the republic to confer the monopoly of paying debts and taxes upon the credits of a bank made Venice the mistress of the seas and the leading commercial nation of the earth.

When the great Napoleon was conquering the continent, and when no independent nation was left in Europe but the islands of Great Britain, the fiat power of the king of England clothed the paper money of the Bank of England with the monopoly of paying debts and taxes, and specie payments were suspended for 22 years. This fiat money of England not only conquered Napoleon, but extended the commerce of Great Britain more than it had been extended in the preceding century and made the British people the most prosperous people on earth until the fiat was withdrawn and gold declared king.

When the money of England was limited to gold alone, the property of the yeomanry was confiscated. The people of England, who were not in the Rothschilds' combination to rob the human race, were ruined. The landowners were reduced from 160,000 to less than 30,000 in a little more than a decade, and a money famine ensued which caused more misery than all the wars of the century.

When the government of the United States was in the throes of dissolution, the greenback was partially clothed with the money function. It would pay private debts and federal taxes except customs dues. Crippled as it was, it saved the Union, and but for the exception which degraded it from its high estate, of paying all debts and taxes, thousands of millions would have been saved to the people. The success of the emissaries of gold gamblers and money changers in inducing the senate of the United States to pass a law making gold a necessity to pay taxes in the trying hours of the civil war was the first great crime committed by the New York banks against the people of the United States. The idea of compelling the government to buy gold when all the resources of the country were necessary to buy food, clothing, arms and pay soldiers to put down the rebellion was the conception of the gamblers of Wall street, who are now plotting with the president of the United States to increase the distress of the people.—Silver Knight.

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FRANCISCO MIRANDA.

Held In Reverence In Venezuela as a Pioneer of Liberty.

Francisco Miranda was a type of the reckless fighter and adventurer always dear to the hero worshiper, and he was so closely identified with the inception of Venezuela's revolution against Spain that he will always be held as a national hero.

He was born in Caracas in 1756 and entered the Spanish military service when he was 17. He served in the United States in 1780 and later in Cuba. He was forced to leave Cuba for some illegal transaction, and for several years led an adventurous life in Russia, Turkey, England and Germany. He went into the French service at the outbreak of the revolution and by brilliant service reached the rank of major general. His name is on the Arc de Triomphe in Paris, as one of the great captains of the revolution. His reckless and adventurous spirit apparently kept him in constant conflict with sober law, for in 1797 he was condemned by the directory, but escaped to England. Receiving no aid in England, he came to the United States.

Here he put into motion his scheme of freeing his native country from the Spanish rule. He found means to equip two small vessels, and with 200 volunteers he sailed for Venezuela. He landed early in 1806 and was attacked by a superior Spanish force, losing many of his men. The Spanish captain burned Miranda in effigy and offered $50,000 for his capture. He recouped his forces, and a few months later took a Spanish town, but did not succeed in arousing the people to revolution.

It was some time later that he met Bolivar and with him went to Europe to secure aid for their enterprise.

When they returned in December, 1810, Miranda organized the first republican government, which was made possible by the uprising of the people in April, 1810. He was vice president of congress and signed the constitution and the act of independence. He was commander of the army and won victory over the Spanish royalists in regard for all property. Shortly after, into trouble. His fellow countrymen, the revolutionists, turned against him, he was accused of being a traitor to the cause, and in fact he was taken prisoner by his own party.

He was allowed to fall into the hands of the Spanish authorities, who sent him to Cadiz in 1812 as a prisoner of war. Three years later, on July 14, 1816, he died.—New York Mail and Express.

BEAUTIFUL JAPANESE CATHEDRAL

And Its Unique Way of Protection From Fire by Fountains.

When foreign architects visit Japan and see the cathedral of Kyoto on one of the first times, they are generally astonished at the magnificent structure. It is executed in pure oriental style and is richly ornamented with carvings. H. Ito, a famous builder of Nagoya City, designed it. The structure was commenced in 1878 and was completed in 1895. The cost has been estimated at $17,000,000. It would have greatly exceed this amount had not the Buddhists worked without any remuneration.

As the structure neared completion the committee having the work in charge was much puzzled as to fire insurance. They found that no company would assume the risk on such a valuable wooden structure, the danger of destruction by fire being very great and thus the promoters would encounter an outrageous sum of money. At last the committee decided on a design devised by Mr. Tanaka. Numbers of powerful fountains were constructed, both external and interior, which can be made to play on all parts of the structure at the same time.

Usually only one great ornamental fountain is playing, rising to the great height of 157 feet. This is probably the largest artificial fountain in existence, emitting 87,000 gallons per hour. In case of fire all the water pressure is directed through the numbers of exterior and interior fountains. Thus every part of the structure, both inside and out, could soon be drenched and any conflagration soon extinguished.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Learned In Our Lesson.

A truly remarkable story of feline intelligence was lately told by a correspondent of the London Spectator. Indeed, it might fairly be called incredible, only that the correspondent, as will be seen, vouches for its truth.

I am induced to send you an account of a remarkable instance of feline sagacity which occurred in my house last week.

About a fortnight ago my black Persian cat brought to the house a young sparrow, and taking it to the front doormat, began stripping it of its feathers. The cook, not approving of the litter made by the said feathers, doubled the mat over and told the cat he must not make such a litter, but strew the feathers on the wrong side of the mat and not on the top.

A fortnight afterward the cat brought in another bird and, marvelous to say, turned the mat—which was a heavy coir mat—over with his claws, and littered the wrong side of it with the feathers, precisely as the cook had told him to do.

This is absolutely true, and without exaggeration.

What "Malicious" Means.

A prospective juror, wearing long hair and a wealth of whiskers, caused much laughter in Judge Dunne's court.

"Do you understand the meaning of the word 'malicious?'" asked the attorney for the defense.

"Of course I do," promptly replied the man in the jury box.

"Well, now, what does it mean?"

"Soldiers," answered the bewhiskered juror. Then he looked surprised while the court told him he was excused from further service.

He afterward said he thought that the lawyer asked him the meaning of the word "militia."—Exchange.

See the Nickle Store's mammoth stock of useful articles.

Jim Tucker was recently arrested in Hunt county for murder committed at Guntersville, Ala.

Lucket & Co's tobacco factory, containing 1,500,000 pounds of tobacco, was destroyed by fire in Nashville, Tenn., on the 14th inst.

Miss Stella Zorne of Cooper, Okla., was found dead in bed on the morning of the 14th inst., with an empty morphine bottle at her side.

The Exchange bank of Runnellsburg, Ky., assigned on the 13th.

Vogel and Son's., pork packers of Cincinnati, failed last week for $750,000.

Sherman had a $15,000 fire last Friday night.

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THE DEMOCRAT.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1896.

F. C Thompson, Editor & Propriet'r
Walter B. Wilson, Local Editor.

DEMOCRAT AND NEWS.

We have made arrangement to club with Dallas Semi-Weekly News which is the best newsgathering paper in the South-west and the fairest in the treatment of all political and religious sects. You can get the Twice-a-week News and THE DEMOCRAT for $1.75! Come in at once, for this will be a year of unusual interest, made so by the great political battle to be fought.

AFTER June 6th next Dudley's state delegation will start out in a grand hunt for the pie counter.

THAT wave of prosperity may be sweeping over the country but it is entirely too high to fan the cheek of a farmer.

SINCE Cleveland was inaugurated in 1893 the public debt has increased $262,602,245. And yet there are democrats who say populism would ruin our country!

TOM Perkins, of the Wylie Rustler, indorses the action of Dudley's committee. This endorsement will certainly sustain the committee.

CHAIRMAN Dudley should have amended his call by having his state delegates elected for life or at least to the end of the nineteenth century.

IT is said that Dan Stuart will probably be a candidate for governor on the democratic ticket. We don't believe it. Dan is too sharp to accept empty honors.

ON the 22nd instant the "Texas State Labor Journal" will appear in its first issue, at Dallas, controlled by a stock company with Geo. N. Beach as president. A perusal of its prospectus is to the effect that it will be strictly nonpartisan but intensely political and deeply religious. It is to be a six column folio which will contain articles from able contributors.

THE Garland News comes to our exchange table this week. The News is a spicy, newsy paper and we are glad that Bro. Cullom has remembered us. Though a staunch democrat we admire him and in the exchange we hope he will find time to read a first class populist paper, the McKinney DEMOCRAT.

THERE is a man not a thousand miles from here who has drunk himself out of several good positions and has left his wife and baby here in McKinney in practically destitute circumstances. The heavy clouds of sorrow hang over this woman while her husband is a sordid ingrate unworthy to breathe and move in any community.

We are in receipt of a book entitled "The new slavery and its means of emancipation" which is just from the press. The book is nicely finished and is illustrated It treats in a most learned manner of the reform questions of the day, embodying the main principles of the populist party. Ozier & Webbin are managers, Memphis, Tenn., and Corinth, Miss. The price of the book is 25 cts. Those who desire to inform themselves should not fail to read this book.

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Get HOOD'S

THE erratic editor of the Van Alstyne News accuses every populist leader as being an office seeker. In a "reply" to THE DEMOCRAT the News editor says: "The statement that the editor of the News is or ever has been a 'professional office seeker' is a base lie easily proven by every responsible voter in Grayson county." It is a fact that Mr. Evans is now an office holder. The Sherman Democrat further says:

Hon. S. P. Evans, of Van Alstyne, informs us that he will be a candidate for re-election and that the announcement of his candidacy will be made by him in due time.—Sherman Democrat.

Now if the statement which Mr. Evans denounces as a base lie is true what is the News to be called when it announces a hundred times that Barney Gibbs is an office seeker who has not run nor announced for office for ten or fifteen years? The News editor says that no brains has left the democratic party. Grant this to be true for the present we are strongly of the opinion that there is yet left in the G. O. P. some dense ignorance and venom. See!

An Ex-Democratic Farmer of Blue RidGe Calls For Reasoning.

Blue Ridge, Tex., Feb. 12, '96.

Now as the electioneering time is so near at hand, when party prejudice will run high and probably lead us in the wrong, I would kindly ask the farmers to (just a little while only) leave their party prejudice and let us as farmers whose interests are identical, reason together on politics in a non-partisan spirit, to see if we cannot agree upon some line of action, if enacted into a law, which would benefit us one and all. Now it will make no difference who introduces it, or what p-a-r-t-y carries it into effect just so it is done. But it must be done by some party, we must acknowledge. We must first find out by reasoning together, what is needed to release us as a people from these oppressive times. What are the causes of our present condition. Then we will examine the three parties in the same kind spirit and see which offers us and our families the most in their platforms for our votes. Not only do I ask the farmers but all laborers and merchants, as they must depend upon the success of the farmer. After a thorough examination if we should find by actual figures, that our produce can bring twice what it does now, enabling us to pay the merchant, the blacksmith and the doctor and if we have no farm of our own, buy one and if we have one with a mortgage on it, enable us to pay it off, and have sufficient food and clothing to run us and protect our little ones from the wintry blasts, and ride on the cars to see our dear old parents we want to see so bad for one cent per mile. If after due examination we find we can have this prosperity in our homes, is there any farmer or merchant, doctor, or blacksmith in Collin county who would not vote for it, or will we raise our party prejudice and fight among ourselves while the price of cotton, corn, oats and stock keep going down; while our president keeps issuing bonds by the millions, when we can't pay the interest on what we as a government owe now, and live like a free people ought to?

EX-DESOCRATIC FARMER.

Calamity City.

Feb. 15, '96.

Our little city is on a general boom. Dr. R. L. Davis is having some nice improvements put on his lot. J. G. Osborne and Jim Dudley have put new additions to their residences. But, alas! our bridge is still neglected.

Jim Recer died of pneumonia last Tuesday morning, and was buried that evening in the Van Winkle graveyard.

Measles and la grippe are raging in our community now.

Mrs. Stanford, Mrs. Sims and two of Dave Recer's children are on the sick list this week.

Mrs. Ola Striplin, of Nevada, is teaching a music class at the home of Aron Curtis.

Misses Jessie Phalen, Etta Curtis and Fannie Hays, of Midway, were the guests of Miss Cora Caldwell last Sunday.

There was singing at M. W. Lyon's Sunday night.

Farmers are wearing long faces on accont of the recent heavy rains.

Lost or stolen:—One "Dou Cupid." When last heard of was sadly disfigured, with arrows all spent and broken bow. Any one knowing the whereabouts of the above will favor our town by letting us know at once.

HAZEL ERRA.

Populist Speakings.

Hon. W. L. Thurman, of Denton, one of the ablest speakers in the reform cause, will speak at the following places and times:

Plano Monday	Feb. 24,	7:30 p. m.
St. Paul Tuesday	" 25,	7:30 p. m.
Willow Springs Wed.	" 26,	7:30 p. m.
Viney Grove Thurs.	" 27,	7:30 p. m.
Bowlby Friday	" 28,	7:30 p. m.
McKinney Saturday	" 29,	1 p. m.

Let each community announce the time of speaking and make every effort to get a good attendance.

Clubs will be organized at each appointment.

Remember that everybody is invited.

PLANO POINTERS.

A gang of state convicts are stationed here at work on the H. & T. C. railroad.

Mrs. L. Van Zant returned last Monday from a visit to relatives at Iowa Park and Wichita Falls.

T. H. Blewitt, of McKinney, was in our town Thursday.

Dr. P. Holt, of Dallas, made Plano a professional visit last Tuesday.

Dr. S. J. Rogers, of Pilot Point, was in the city last week.

E. C. Forbes visited Dallas last Wednesday.

B. R. Wall, local editor of the Grapevine Sun, was in the city last week.

Tom Perkins, of the Wylie Rustler, passed through on the Cotton Belt, going west last Friday.

W. P. Aldridge went to McKinney on business last Tuesday.

County Commissioner C. M. Rice went to McKinney last Monday to attend commissioners' court.

Plano encampment I. O. O. F. is on quite a boom. Call meetings are being held in order to accommodate those who wish to take the degrees of Patriarchal Odd Fellowship.

Hickman Happenings.

(A correspondent signing himself "Absalom" writes from Hickman but does not send his name. Against our regular rule, however, we give the following items from his communication—Editor.)

While ploughing yesterday Mr. Hamricks team became frightened and ran away, but caused no considerable danger.

Mrs. Horton is quite sick with Pneumonia.

Mattie Whitwell is sick with La grippe.

R. D. Hickman chairman of this Precinct has issued a call for all populists of North Farmersville box to meet at Hickman on next Saturday night Feb 22 for the purpose of organizing a club. Hon. T.J. Tilson of Merit and John Doyle of McKinney is expected to speak for us. Don't forget the time and everybody invited to attend.—Absalom.

Mississippi.

Preaching at Verona on Sunday the 9, was not well attended owing to bad weather.

Miss Sallie Stroup gave the young people of here and Verona a singing on the night of the 9th inst.

Among the number present were Misses Lizzie, Mattie, and Anna Grisham. Lela St Clair, Eliza Grisham, and Messrs Tom Bailey, Hubbard Anderson, John Grishom, Luther Huggins, Gloster St Clair, T. M. Hinsley, Prof. Buckley and others too numerous to mention.

T. M. Hinsley, and Bob LaFevers, attended preaching at Verona Sunday.

Harvey Miller, was in our midst recently.

Miss Leilla St Clair, visited her brother Gloster Friday night.

Jos. and Charley Womble, went to McKiinney last week.

Little Effie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. St Clair, is just recovering from a severe attack of the measles.

T. M. Hinsley gave Sister Grove a visit Sunday.

J. L. Vendfoad, was in our midst last week. He tells us he will leave about Tuesday next for his old home in South Carolina.

Mr. Vandford has only been in Texas a short time.

John Wells has closed his school at Water Ridge, and his sister Mammie, now has in operation a subscription school at the same place.

Miss Lizzie Lokey spent Thursday night with Miss Mammie Wells.

On Tuesday evening of the 13th instant at 7 o'clock Jack Aycock, and Miss Eliza Grisham, were united at the house of the bride's parents in the holy bonds of matrimony. Rev. Webster, officiating. Among those present at the nuptial feast were Misses Laura Lokey, Sallie Stroup Lizzie Grisham, Anna Grisham, Mattie Grisham, Mammie Wells, and Miss Bailey, Messrs Emmet Chapman, Sol Dorn, Ira Stroup, T.M. Hinsley, John Grisham, T. L. Bailey, Liew Stroup, Abb Stroup, and Messrs Aycock, Balis and others. All, who had the honor of being present, knew that it was good to be there. The young couple will in a short time repair to their new home near Culleoka. We extend congratulations for future happiness and prosperity of the young couple.

Republicans Meet.

About two hundred republicans responded to chairman Goodin's call and assembled in the court house in McKinney last Saturday at 2. p. m.

Immediately after the call was read by Secretary Cole, a wrangle was precipitated over the temporary Chairmanship. H. E. Smith placed Capt W. H. Love in nomination and Capt Boyd presented the name of D. Goodin for the same position. Capt Boyd, who put the nomination, declared Goodin elected by a viva voce vote and so confident were the Goodin men of their superiority that they at once assented to a rising vote, at the request of H. E. Smith who vehemently demurred to the oral method of choosing a chairman. Again Capt Boyd declared Goodin elected, and again H. E. Smith objected in stentorian tones because the secretary did not announced the result instead of Boyd the acting chairman. Things were getting to a white heat when another rising vote was taken and Capt Love was called to the chair. after more wrangling Chairman Love appointed a committee to formulate resolutions and to present names for delegates to congressional and state conventions to be voted on. Resolutions were adopted reaffirming allegiance to the republican party, endorsing State Chairman John Grant ect, and presenting the following names which were elected delegates to the congressional convention at Sherman and state convention at Austin.

W H Love
H E Smith
Tom Hall
S G Lewis
A L Reneau
M B Rexrode
W M Everet (Col)

Alternates: J H Lewis S H Cole H H Crouch D Goodin John Wallace D Doty (Col) and P W Stewart (Col.) Grant and Cuney were both eulogized and impugned by speakers. Between fifty and one hundred negroes participated in the proceedings.

Switchell's Column.

(EDITED BY SAMPLE SWITCHELL)

Plano Tex, Feb 17th 1896.

Collin is a dry county; but from the manner in which the laws are enforced we are of the opinion that its officers are quite damp.

The Dallas Democrat rejoices that the people of Texas will have a chance to vote for or against free coinage in June. You are wrong, neighbor. The people will not vote on the question until november when they will bury both the gold bugs and sraddle bugs in one grave.

The last democratic legislature made a great mistake from a party standpoint by not adopting the "Tax receipt qualification for voters." The only states in which their party will stand a ghost of a show next November, will be where the right of franchise has been restricted to the prosperous few.

The latest acrobatic feat Dodger Q. Mills was to make an anti bond speech in the senate a few days ago and then vote with the Cleveland crowd a few minutes afterwards. Mills is a "doozy" to use a slang expression.

"By Gatlings" Hogg and "Little Giant" Clark should call another harmony convention at once as a longer delay might be fatal to Little Charlie's second-term ambition.

What will become of the democratic party when its Gibbses all join the populists and and its Evanses all go to the asylum?

The Cleveland administration has just completed its fourth great bond-issuing act and the president will now be allowed to retire to Buzzards Bay or go duck hunting and obtain the much needed rest.

Now comes "Riley" Hall of Missouri who was elected to congress as an alliance free silver reformer in the democrat party and declared his conversion to the gold standard. He accusses the silver men with insincerity and cowardice. Alliance men who have kept up with "Riley" Hall's career will of course accord to him the purest of motives in this action, notwithstanding his attempt to deliver the alliance of Missouri over bag and baggage to the democratic party.

Princeton Pick-Ups.

Feb. 17, '96.

Mrs. John F. Lockhart and children returned to their home in Nevada, Thursday, after a week's visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Lynn.

W. M. Flannagan and A. H. Newton made a business trip to Dallas Thursday and returned Sunday.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Simonds, Tuesday night Feb. 11, a boy. To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bishop, Thursday Feb. 13, a boy.

Mrs. W. W. Crosson is seriously ill with pneumonia.

John C. Boone, candidate for constable, was in this village Friday.

Mr. A. J. Aycock and Miss Liza Grisham were married at Verona Thursday Feb. 14. Mr. Aycock recently purchased a farm near Princeton and will arrive with his bride Tuesday to make this their home.

An infant of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Cullum, who live in Farmersville, died and was brought to Princeton Saturday and buried Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.

D. P. McGehee and J. G. Pear, who have resided in Princeton for the past year, left Sunday with their families for the Red River country in the Indian Territory.

On account of sickness Rev. W. G. Airheart failed to fill his regular third Sunday appointment at this place.

At a meeting of the trustees Monday morning it was decided to suspend school for a week on account of measles having made their appearance in this community. Only four cases have been reported thus far, and every precaution has been taken to confine them. HPESOJ.

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The readers of this paper will b pleasad to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitttional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucious surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

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Another Populist Club.

A rousing peoples party club was organized at Higgins school house, last Thursday night, with eighteen members to begin with G. M. D. Williams was elected president, Lee Shuman, vice president, and George Kindell secretary. This club will meet every Friday night and at each meeting new names will be added. Our national finance will be the subject for discusion to-morrow night. The advantages to be derived by our party in particular, and the public in general, from the organization of clubs and public discussions are inestimable. Populists of other communities read this and go and do likewise.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

Fairfield Fancies.

Feb. 19, '96.

The singing at Fairfield school house has been changed from Friday to Saturday nights.

George Black, of Upper Rowlett, visited here Sunday.

Mrs. A. T. Clark, of Sherman, accompanied by her two youngest sons, Charlie and Chester, is visiting her sister, Mrs. F. C. Thompson. Mrs. Clark's maiden name was Bettie McDuffie, who formerly lived in Collin county.

Mrs. George Dugger died at Cedar Hill, Dallas county, Sunday night and was brought to McKinney on the 8:12 train Monday night, and buried in Pecan Grove cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Dugger moved from Fairfield to Cedar Hill about a month ago.

W. S. McDuffie, who has been visiting his daughter, Mrs. F. C. Thompson, returned to Sherman Sunday.

Good attendance at Sunday school Sunday evening.

Measle patients all convalescing.

Eph Andrews went to Cedar Hill, Dallas county, being called there by a telegram announcing the dangerous illness of his niece, Mrs. George Dugger, last week.

POPULISTS!

The central club meets in McKinney Saturday, March 7. We will have speaking.

The U. S. Gov't Reports show Royal Baking Powder superior to all others.

RELIGIOUS.

The Minor Christian Endeeavor meeting at the Presbyterian church, Sunday night, attracted crowded house. The addresses by Oscar Goddard, and J. L Greer and every feature of the programme were accorded the closest attention.

Owing to ill health Dr. Russell was unable to attend services at the Presbyterian church Sunday night.

The Epworth League cottage prayer meeting will be held at Mrs. Rogers on College Hill this evening.

"Mercy and truth have met together and righteousness and peace have kissed each other" was the text and "the plan of Salvation as wrought in the mind of God" was the subject of an unusually spiritual sermon at the Baptist church Sunday night by Pastor J. M. Robertson.

"If we work upon marble, it will perish; if we work upon brass, time will efface it; if we rear temples, they will crumble into dust; but if we work upon immortal minds, if we imbue them with principle, with the just fear of God and love of our fellow-men, we engrave on those tablets something that will brighten through all eternity"—Webster.

Joe Wilcox and Miss Colia Barnes were married Wednesday Feb. 19, at 3 p. m. in the Christian church in this city. A large assembly of relatives and friends were present. Eld. S. W. Crutcher officiated.

A freight train was wrecked at Allen about midnight, Tuesday night, by running over a cow. Seven cars were piled up. The engineer and fireman saved themselves by jumping, but the latter, we understand, was slightly injured. Dr. Wiley of this city was summoned to the scene of the wreck.

Eula, the little daughter of D. A. Crouch, was swinging on behind a wagon loaded with blocks of wood last evening when one of the blocks rolled off breaking one of the childs legs.

A ten pound baby girl took up its abode at Mr. and Mrs. Frank Meak's monday.

Some fine morning the American people will wake up to a full realization of the true meaning of all these gold bonds that Cleveland and his syndicate of Shylocks are fastening upon us and the generations to come. Then something will drap.—Dallas Herald.

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Arbor Day.

The Mutual Cemetery Association has decided upon Friday Feb. 21, as Arbor Day for the I. O. O. F., Masonic and Foreman Cemeteries. Shrubbery and trees have been ordered. Mr. E. W. Kirkpatrick of Collin Co. Nursery has donated 100 Lombardy poplars, 50 red cedars, and 20 arborvitaes. Would be glad to have all the help we can get. The placing of the trees will begin at 10 o,clock

MRS. JOHM HARRINGTON, Pres.
MRS. J. T. HORN, Sec.

—Plano Courier.

An Octogenarian.

Francis Emerson celebrated his 80th birthday, Saturday evening, with the following friends around the festive board of his daughter, Mrs. J L. Lovejoy: Col. Pearson, G. R. Smith, Judge Abernathy, H. C. Herndon, Dick Howard, John Church, Dr. Abbott, Col. Coffey and Dudley Heard.

Although an octogenarian Mr. Emerson is as vigorous and nimble as many who are forty years his junior. He is president of the First National Bank of McKinney and is always to be found at his post of duty during business hours. THE DEMOCRAT congratulates him on attaining to this ripe old age and trusts that many more years of usefulness are still in store for him.

To Reach a Man's Heart

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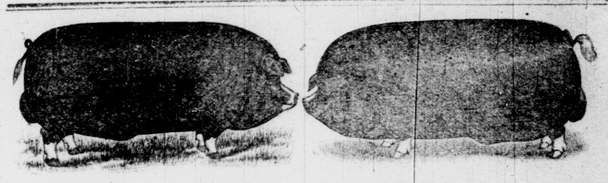

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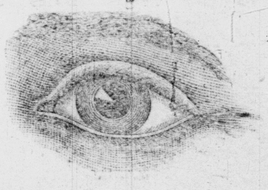

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For City Assessor and Collector
T. L. McMULLEN.
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ELECTION NOV. 3.

We are authorized to announce
For Constable, Ind'nt, Precinct No. 1,
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Subject to the action of the democratic party.
For Constable Precinct No. 1.
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J. C. KEITH
For Justice of Peace Precinct No 1
J. T. ANDREWS.
J H FAULKNER
For District Court Clerk
E R HALL

To Candidat s Of All Parties.

If you desire to have your name placed before the many readers of THE DEMOCRAT why, just send us word or call and see us. We charge regular rates, but do not desire to constantly bore you to get you to announce with us. If you think it is of any advantage to be represented before our large list of subscribers of course you will announce in THE DEMOCRAT.

Ditto's for Triumph potatoes.

Long Neck school suspended for this week on account of the measles.

KNOCKED OUT!—all competition by Denton's Pharmacy.

Sam Davis and Harry Crutcher are doing Chicago.

A teachers' examination is in progress in McKinney to-day.

Miss. Laura Cooper of Cottage Hill is visiting in McKinney.

Wonders of the age at the Nickel store—call and see for yourself.

Look for W. L. Thurman's dates in another column.

Ditto's for N.Y. early rose, peerless, Jackson white.

Alex Lazenby of Anna subscribed for The Democrat since our last issue.

Dr. T. G. Boorman of Princeton was in McKinney Monday and subscribed for The Democrat.

Alfred Wilson spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. D. W. Bagwill, and family at Sister Grove.

Ditto's for beauty of Hebron and Burbank seed potatoes.

We are crowded with political matter and many communications of that nature are crowded out.

Prof. T. M. Hinsley, of Mississippi school was a genial caller at our office Saturday.

Ditto's for onion sets, Prize taker and other varieties.

Lee Bounds came over from Gainesville, Saturday, and returned to his home at Celina Wednesday morning.

Mrs. McCrary and children of Denison are visiting the former's sister, Mrs Ben Estes in this city.

Ditto's for onion seed, also garden seed in bulk.

D. Goodin, the veteran jeweler, has The Democrat's thanks for cash on subscription.

W. H. McCullah of Wylie is now one of The Democrat's valued subscribers. He had his name enrolled this week.

City candidates should put their announcements in The Democat at once.

Court Foutts is again at his post of duty at M. Aron & Co's. Court has had a long lay-off, necessitated by a giant fire cracker explosion during the holidays which, mutilated one of his hands.

Dr. Simmons Cough Syrup is only fifty cents a bottle and contains fifty doses; try it, and if you are not benefited your money will be refunded. Manufactured by A. C. Simmons Jr., Med. Co., Sherman, Tex. For sale at Denton's Pharmacy.

J. W Asbury has again embarked in the furniture business in McKinney.

N. B. Milligan, of Farmersville, gave us a pleasant call Tuesday.

Palace Car paint covers 75 per cent more surface, looks better, lasts longer and makes the finest finish of any paint in the market. Sold under an absolute guarantee by J. M. Wilcox & Son.

E. C. Forbes, of Plano, was in to see us Tuesday. Mr. Forbes is the rustling president of the Collin county central populist club.

Mrs. Eunice Melville, who lectured at the opera house Saturday night, left Monday for her home in Minneapolis. She was the guest of Mrs. E. N. McAulay while in our city.

Now is the time for cough and la grippe cures and you can find all the standard ones at City Drug Store.

J. H. Faulkner announces as a candidate for re-election to the position of justice of the peace in precinct No 1. His record is before the people and we bespeak for him a careful consideration by the democratic primary voters.

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40 YEARS THE STANDARD.

Mrs. Sarah Melville of Minneapolis, Minnesota, lectured at Heard's opera house Saturday night on "Odd Fellowship." In introducing her Dr. T. W. Wiley said she was known, fraternally, to a million Odd Fellows. Mrs. Melville is editress of the National Rebekah I. O. O. F. and handles her subject in the ablest manner.

The exposure to all sorts and conditions of weather that a lumberman is called upon to endure in the camps often produces severe cold which, if not promptly checked result in congestion or pneumonia Mr. J. O. Davenport, ex-manager of the Fort Bragg Redwood Co., rn immense instittution at Fort Bragg, Cal., says they sell large quantities of Chamberain's Cough Remedy at the company's store and that he has himself used this remedy for a severe cold and obtained immediate relief. This medicine prevents any tendency of a cold toward pneumonia and insures a prompt recovery. For sale by City Drug Store.

The ex-confederate entertainment at Heard's opera house Friday night was a magnificent success in every feature. The proceeds which amounted to more than $200 were applied to the Jeff Davis monument fund.

Send for a sample copy of "New Idea," a new illustrated monthly, devoted to information about new inventions, discoveries and the world's progress in general. Get up a club of two and get your paper free. Address
ISAAC A. ARMSTRONG,
McKinney, Texas.

Our good friend, L. Holt, informs us that a populist club has been organized at Red Oak near Merritt. R. F. Hizer is complimented for his zeal in the cause of reform. Bro. Holt thinks that The Democrat will go into new hands soon in and around Merritt.

That cough of yours may become serious; why neglect it when a bottle of Dr. Simmons Cough Syrup will cure it. Fifty doses for fifty cents. Satisfaction guaranteed. For sale at Denton's Pharmacy.

Prof. C. F. Trotter of Blue Ridge was in McKinney Saturday. He is a candidate for the position of normal instructor and his friends are sanguine of his success.

All persons indebted to the firm of Lewis & Ditto please come in and pay off your accounts or make satisfactory arrangements for settlement.

Prescriptions filled with purest drugs and whiskies or brandy at
City Drug Store.

A tumor weighing twenty-five pounds was removed from the side of Miss. Myrtle Largent at Melissa. Monday. The operation was performed by a Fort Worth surgeon assisted by several Doctors The patient stood the ordeal remarkably well, but is yet in a critica condition.

In a recent editorial the Salem, Oregon, Independent says: "Time and again have we seen Chamberlain's Cough Remedy tried and never without the most satisfactory results. Whenever we see a person afflicted with hoarseness, with a cough or cold, we invariably advise them to get Chamberlain's Cough Remedy; and when they do, they never regret it. It always does the work, and does it well." For Sale by City Drug Store.

The following is a list of names of the pupils of the McKinney Collegiate Institute who made an average grade of 95 or more on examination last week:

Miss Alice Kirkpatrick	99
" Sarah Webb	98
" Sallie Fox	98
Willie Rhea	98
Lawrence Rhea	98
Willie R. Abernathy	97
Avery Dowell	97
Miss Leslie Pearson	96
John S. Dowell	95

Claude Martin received the prize in spelling in January. Shirley Graves and Edith Allen received three headmarks each. The present enrollment in the Institute is 227

The man who eats because he is hungry is, thus far, on a level with brutes. The man who stops eating the moment his hunger is appeased is the wise man. Nature needs no more food than she calls for. Continued excess brings about indigestion or dyspepsia, with loss of flesh, strength, sleep, ambition and mental power; and an accumulation of aches, pains and many dangerous local maladies. The stomach NOW can do nothing alone. We must appeal to some artificially digested food which can also digest other foods. That is to say, we must use the Shaker Digestive Cordial. The effect is prompt and cheering. The chronic pain and distress ceases. Appetite presently revives. Flesh and vigor gradually come back, and the sufferer recovers. But he must be careful in future. A trial bottle for 10 cents.

LAXOL is the best medicine for children. Doctors recommend it in place of Castor Oil

Dick Massie went to Cedar Hill, Dallas county, last week to visit Mrs. George Dugger.

Don't neglect to get your neighbors to take The Democrat during this campaign year.

Lem E. Oldham has returned from Mississippi. He was in McKinney Monday, but went over to Bonham to remained during Mr. Mabry's absence in the north and east selecting stocks for the Mississippi Store in McKinney and their large establishment in Bonham.

An embroidery elephant in M. Aron & Co's. show window attracts admiring glances from passers-by. It is a creation of Court Foutt's skill.

A. J. Simpson, of Rogersville, Tennessee, was in McKinney Monday and Tuesday. He is prospecting for a business location in McKinney.

Many republicans were in McKinney Saturday attending the county convention.

Liza Pearce, an old negress, died in McKinney Saturday night. She was about 90 years old.

Mrs. J. S. Roderick returned from Bonham Monday.

W. W. Shepherd has our thanks for cash on subscription.

Sam Livingstone, from near Copeville, was brought before Squire Faulkner, in this city, this week with two charges of theft of cattle pending against him, for examining trial. The evidence seemed to be conclusive for the defendant's innocence, yet he was held over by a $500 bond in each case. There has been much talk of persecution instead of prosecution in this case. If after full and fair information in regard to the matter we learn it to be true, we propose to ventilate the matter in our columns "let the chips fall where they may." Courts are not established for "persecution" of individuals or classes.

Melton is still in the lead when it comes to groceries.

R. G. Hughes will canvass Collin county selling the Estey and other leading makes of organs and pianos.

Ditto's for best northern flour. Every sack guaranteed.

Onion sets at Melton's.

Gabe Staggs was shaking hands with friends in McKinney Saturday. He is about recovered from a severe spell of pneumonia.

Catarrh can be successfully treated only by purifying the blood, and the one true blood purifier is Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Ditto's for best groceries at low price

Viney Grove Populists.

The appointment published in last week's issue of The Democrat for the organization of a populist club Saturday night Feb. 22 at Viney Grove school house (No 1) has been changed to Thursday night Feb. 27. This change of date was made so as to have Hon. W. L. Thurman, a speaker of state repute, with us. The public earnestly requested to come out and hear this able exponent of the peoples party.

The guarantee in the pocket of each pair of the BUCKSKIN BREECHES is put there as an evidence of good faith. It means that we believe the pants are so good that you can't find a fault in them. You can call on your dealer for another pair or your money. Just as you choose. That is the best proof of earnest effort on our part to give you good pants at the price of common goods.

Ditto's for special prices on tobacco.

R. G Hughes will sell you an organ or piano at factory prices. Office with J. T. Couch, McKinney.

Buy your seed potatoes and garden seeds of Melton.

From Merrit.

Feb. 15, '96.

Our school, managed by Prof. G. W. West, who holds a first grade certificate, is doing nicely. Prof. West is full of energy and has organized a debating society. Pupils who never went through exercises of this kind before are becoming interested in public speaking. If not now, it will not be long before Mr. West's efforts will be fully appreciated by the boys and girls in this community.

L. HOLT.

A Prominent Minister.

Rev. T. R. Kendall, pastor Grace M. E. Church, Atlanta, Ga., says: "I take pleasure in testifying to the great virtue of King's Royal Germetuer in relieving night sweats resulting from the debilitatng influence of malaria. In a severe ordeal through which my family passed from this oppressive affliction. I found Germetuer to be an immediate specific. Have also found it a speedy tonic to the digestion, and a most grateful and refreshing remedy in the heated season when suffering from relaxation and general debility." New Package, large bottle, 108 doses, $1. For sale by Smith Bros.

C. L. Young left Tuesday for the eastern markets.

The grocery firm of Lewis & Ditto having dissolved partnership on the first day of Jan. 1896, by mutual consent, the business will be continued by W. E. Ditto, who will guarantee and use his best efforts to serve in the future their many friends and patrons as they have in the past. Thanking our many friends for their liberal patronage,

We remain very truly
H. LEWIS,
W. E. DITTO

Bring your country produce to T. J. Melton.

From Copeville.

Copeville, Feb. 2, '96.

Some of our boys report having killed as many as 65 rabbits in one day recently.

Hugh Watkins and wife were visiting at Uncle Ike McBee's last Sunday.

Mrs. Gusta Allison is visiting Mrs. Hugh Watkins this week.

Several trains were flagged to a standstill near here recently by some section hands who had imbibed too freely of peruna.

Farmers will finish sowing oats as soon as the mud dries up.

BILL.

A Recomendation From Los Angeles,

632 Castelar St., LOS ANGELES, Cal.—After having suffered for a long time from acute rheumatism without obtaining relief, I used Chamberlain's Pain Balm and was almost immediately relief. I highly recommend this as the best medcine known. D. M. HAMILTON. for sale by City Drug Store.

ROYAL Baking Powder.
Highest of all in leavening strength.—U. S. Government Report

Perfect Health.

Keep the system in perfect order by the occasional use of Tutt's Liver Pills. They regulate the bowels and produce

A Vigorous Body.

For sick headache, malaria, biliousness, constipation and kindred diseases, an absolute cure

TUTT'S Liver PILLS

For the old celebrated McGale whiskey call at Denton's Pharmacy. This is a pure brand, has been analyzed and is kept for medical purposes only and Denton is the sole dealer of it in McKinney. When you buy always buy the best. The above named brand has been thoroughly tested. Don't forget the place. Denton's reliable Pharmacy on the Fast Side.

Our Blue Ridge correspondent says: "We have a senate organized here with Reed, Sherman, Hill, Tillman, Voorhees, Peffer, Allen and all of the greatest senators characterized. You ought to see Peffer shake his whiskers when there is an appropriation bill introduced."

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL GROCER.

W. E. Ditto, Successor to Lewis & Ditto.

Has a large stock of sugar, flour, seed potatoes, onion seed. Large variety of onion seed and garden seed in bulk, and a complete line of groceries which were bought in large quantities at lowest obtainabable price for cash, therefore he is in position to save you money. Do not fail to see him before buying anything in the grocery line. Special prices on tobacco.

Referring to the above I will say I am under many obligations to the good people of McKinney and Collin county for their liberal patronage. I highly recommend my successor to the public and ask for him the same liberal patronage, and assure you the same courteous treatment, fair dealing, etc., in the future as in the past.

Respectfully,
HENRY LEWIS.

Readers of The Democrat throughout Collin county are invited to send us items of interest from your respective communities.

For Sale!

80 acres of the Segar Survey, 13 miles east of McKinney on Pilot Grove creek; 2 miles west of Copeville, at the mouth of Tickey creek, near Dr. Clement's place and the residence of Mrs. Cupp; all timbered land. Price $12 per acre.

130 acres of L. B. Hill survey, between Pilot Grove and East Fork creeks on the Santa Fe R. R., joining the lands of Dr. Kreymer, near the town of Wylie; valuable timber. Price $5 per acre.

47 acres just south of the last named tract, in the W. A. S. Bohannon Survey; bounded by Dr. Kreymer on the north, Ike McDowell on the South, and East Fork on west. Price $5 per acre.

77 acres of the Benj. Clark Survey, in the north-east part of Collin county—part of a 434 acre tract known as the Railroad land and the south half of 154 acres that was set apart to H. R. Anthony in a partition between the said Anthony and T. E. Shirley, T. Slover and J. H. Richards acting commissioners, with S. H. Cole, surveyor, making the division. Price $12 per acre.

90 acres; the Granville Jones farm, near Millwood in Collin county, about 75 acres in cultivation. Price $1900; one-fourth cash, balance in 12, 24 and 36 months; interest at 10 per cent., payable annually.

122 acres of the C. T. Cliff Survey, on Sister Grove creek, east of Altoga and west of and adjoining the lands of A. J. Stroup, nine miles north-east from McKinney; timbered upland on a public road Price $15 per acre.

1,177 acres in the F. I. La Pinna Survey, known as the Alexander land, situated about 10 miles south-east from McKinney and about three miles south of Princeton, on the west side of Pilot Grove creek at the town of Culleoka; east and adjoining the lands of M. H. Snavely, John McGrow and A. G. Steel; up-land, timber and skirts of prairie; no improvements. This tract of land has been divided into tracts of 50 and 100 acres, and will be sold for a small cash payment with notes at 10 per cent., due in 12, 24, 36, and 48 months. Price from $12 to $20 per acre. Stephen Hobbins, who lives near the land, will show the same to purchasers. The above named survey in the name of F. De La Pinna was withdrawn from the market last fall but is now offered for sale and will be sold on easy terms.

The following lands of the estate of the late Judge Maltbie are offered for sale: 1 lot on south side of East Virginia street near the depot, 115 feet front 30 feet back. Price $1200. 5 acres land, north of and joining the Obenchain mill tract, all in cultivation. Price $1500. 14 acres land ¼ mile north-east from the depot, all in cultivation; black land with lasting water. Price $900. Block No. 40 of Short's addition to the city of McKinney, adjoining the residence lot of Thos. Recer on the west. Price $450. Also the east half of block (C) joining Thos. Recer on the north. Price $200 The above Maltbie lands and lots will be sold on easy terms.

145 acres; a black land farm 9 miles west of McKinney, known as the Jeff Robinson farm, near Walnut Grove; plenty of timber and running water, will be sold for small cash payment balance on long time at $33 per acre.

RESIDENCES AND LOTS IN McKINNEY.

One residence known as the John Clementson Place, near J. P. Nenney's.

Also a large number of lots and blocks in Petersburg, near Petersburg school, to sell on long time at reasonable prices.

Jenkins & Pearson.
McKINNEY, TEXAS.

WILCOX & ROGERS

. . . . Have on hand a large supply of . . . .

Seed Potatoes.

OF ALL KINDS

Onion Sets, Garden Seeds, Millet and Sorghum Seed

which they are selling at close prices. See Wilcox & Rogers for

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Second Hand Square Pianos.

These pianos, quality considered with price, we believe have never been equalled in Texas before. In each case we have marked the prices from $15 to $35 less than their actual value. Will guarantee each instrument to be in good playing order when shipped. Price includes stool and cover, boxed ready for shipment. Terms: ½ cash, balance next fall, ⅓ cash balance 5 and 10 months or $15 cash and $7 a month. To responsible parties will sell on fall time without cash payment.

Prices as follows: $38, $48, $70, $78, $125, 2 at $135 each, 3 at $145 each, $148, 2 at $150 each, 2 at $168 each.

Several fine bargains in good second-hand organs, from $45 to $68.

Write us for full information.
WILL A. WATKIN MUSIC CO.,
269 Main St., Dallas, Tex.
Best line of New Pianos and Organs in the South West.

Go to P. E. Denton for fresh drugs.

M'KINNEY MARKETS.

THURSDAY MORNING, FEB. 20.

Cotton	7 to 7½cts.
Wheat per bus.	30 to 50cts.
Corn " "	20 to 22cts.
Oats " "	10 to 15cts.
Hay, baled, per ton	$4.00 to $5.00
Millet hay per ton	$5.00 to $6.00
Flour per cwt	$2.00 to 2.30
Meal " bus.	35cts.
Chops per cwt	70cts.
Bran " cwt	60cts.
Butter per lb	10 to 15cts.
Eggs per doz	7 to 8cts.
Lard per lb	8 to 10cts.
Hogs per cwt	$3.20
Beef on foot per cwt	$1.80, $2.00.
" dressed " lb	5cts.
Dressed pork per lb	4½ cts.
Chickens per doz.	$1.50 to $2.00
Cotton seed per ton	$9.00.

A car load of the well known Sherwin Williams paint just received at the
City Drug Store.

FOR SALE:—A high grade organ. Call on The Democrat.

Spend your nickles at the Nickle Store.

Make a dash for long life by dashing for Denton's Pharmacy.

All of munyon's homoepathic remedies on hand at Smith Bros., druggest east side square.

. . THIS IS A COST SALE . .

This Sale will last 15 Days from Feb. 19 and no longer,

During this time if you will take advantage of the bargains offered you will have saved enough on good goods to astonish you. We want to clear off enough Goods to make room for Our new

SPRING STOCK

And this is the only reason why we offer goods at these prices.

. . SHOES . .

We offer you any $3.50 Ladies Shoe at	$2.75
We offer you any $2.50 Ladies Shoe at	$1.98
We offer you any $2.00 Ladies Shoe at	$1.55
We offer you any $1.50 Ladies Shoe at	$1.20
We offer you any $1.25 Ladies Shoe at	.95
We offer you any $5.00 Men's Shoe at	$3.75
We offer you any $4.00 Men's Shoe at	$3.00
We offer you any $3.00 Men's Shoe at	$2.25
We offer you any $2.00 Men's Shoe at	$1.50
We offer you any $1.50 Men's Shoe at	$1.10

Men's Shirts and Boys' Waists

Any $1.50 White Shirt at	$1.00
Any $1.25 White Shirt at	.95
Any $1.00 White Shirt at	.70
Any .75 White Shirt at	.50
Any $1.50 Colored Shirt at	$1.00
Any $1.25 Colored Shirt at	.95

- Clothing -

$20.00 Suits at	$13.00
$15.00 Suits at	$10.00
$10.00 Suits at	$ 7.50
$ 7.50 Suits at	$ 5.00
$ 5.00 Suits at	$ 3.00

.. Hats ..

We will take 33 1-3% off price of any hat in the house which you may want.

We will absolutely give you actual cost prices for 15 days. If you come after 15 days has expired don't expect to get goods at these prices.

The Tennessee Store

McKINNEY, TEXAS.

BUSINESS BARGAINS.

In This Column will be found items of interest to Those who Would Save Money.

Buy the Kingsbury piano.

A full line of pipes at Smith Bros. Druggists, east side square.

Grand rush to Denton's Pharmacy. Fall in; keep step with the crowd.

Take your produce to W. D. Goostree's for the best market prices.

The famous Nickel Store's popularity increases with age.

Large and small window glass—all sizes—at City Drug Store.

Now is the time for chapped hands and lips, for a remedy go to Smith Bros. Druggists, east side square.

M. B. Rexrode will sell you a Chicago Cottage organ, the most popular organ in the South-West, on time to suit purchaser. Discount for cash.

Did you ever try our extracts of lemon and vanilla, they are our own manufacture and are absolutely pure. Smith Bros., Druggists, E. side square.

My stock of groceries is complete and fresh. My prices cannot be beaten Give me a trial.—W. D. Goostree.

Just received, fifty new styles of visiting tablets and have envelopes to match. Smith Bros., Druggists, east side square.

We will compound your prescriptions at any hour, night or day—night bell on front window. Smith Bros. Druggists, east side square.

Many spurious imitations but only one genuine Denton's Pharmacy in the world.

This is the season for coughs and colds. We carry 30 kinds of remedies. Smith Bros., Druggists, east side square.

We have three registered men in charge of our prescription department. Smith Bros., Druggists, east side square.

Go to M. B. Rexrode, one door south of the Collin County bank, and buy the best organ in the market.

Ha there, you old rheumatic! Buy Denton's drugs and stop grunting.

We have quite a variety of combs, hair brushes, tooth brushes, tooth powder, face powder and other toilet articles. Smith Bros. Druggists,

Denton's Pharmacy is the best known drug store in North Texas.

We carry a complete stock of fine toilet soaps at prices to suit everybody. Smith Bros. The leading Druggists.

Window glass and putty for sale cheap at Wilcox & Sons' lumber yard.

Denton's Pharmacy is neat as a pin and contains nothing but the freshest of drugs.

To merchants in the country—If you have prescriptions that you do not carry the stock to fill, give us a call. We believe we carry a much larger stock than any one in McKinney. Smith Bros., Druggists, east side square,

FOR SALE OR TRADE.—Three hundred and twenty acres of land near Breckinridge, Stephens county, Texas; all under fence. Call or write to The Democrat for further information.

As to prices on same quality of goods no one can undersell us. Smith Bros Druggists, east side square.

When in McKinney bring your families to W. D. Goostree's grocery store and see his large stock.

ACard

I take this method of announcing to the public that I have as nice a pen of Barred Plymouth chickens as can be found in Collin Co. And have a few settings of eggs for hatching that I would like to sell to those desiring eggs for that purpose. Respectfully,
J. H. SNEED.

Chamberlain's Eye and Skin Ointment is unequalled for Eczema, Tetter, Salt rheum, Scald Head, Sore Nipples, Chapped Hands, Itching Piles, Burns, Frost Bites, Chamberlain's Eye and Granulated Eye Lids. For sale by druggists at 25 cents per box.

TO HORSE OWNERS.

For putting a horse in a fine healthy condition try Dr. Cady's Condition Powders. They tone up the system, aid digestion, cure loss of appetite, relieve constipation, correct blood disorders and destroy worms, giving a fine coat to old or over-worked horse. 25 cents per package. For sale by druggists.

Smith Bros. have made a specialty of prescriptions for the past ten years and keep the most complete and purest stock of prescription goods ever brought to McKinney.

Piles! Piles! Itching Piles.

Symptoms—Moisture; intense itching and stinging, most at night; as if pin worms were in the rectum; worse by scratching. If allowed to continue blind, bleeding, protruding piles will often follow. Swayne's Ointment stops the itching, and bleeding, heals ulceration, and in most cases removes the tumors. Administered by mail, for 50 cts. Dr. Swayne & Son, Philadelphia.

Democrats, republicans and populists all agree that trading with the Nickle Store is the best financial policy.

Music! Go to J. T. Couch and buy you some, cheap. Bingham block, McKinney, Texas.

Buy the Kingsbury piano.

A slight cough is a slight thing, but it may become serious; do not hesitate to buy a bottle of Dr. Simmons Cough Syrup, it will cure you. Satisfaction guaranteed. For sale at Denton's Pharmacy.

Our spring stock of wall paper, the largest ever brought to McKinney, and the prices will astonish you. Call and see at City Drug Store.

The best is the cheapest, the purest is the best. Palace Car paint is guaranteed absolutely pure by
J. M. Wilcox & Son.

Nickle Store for bargains.

J. J. Rogers will call on his many friends in Collin county in the near future and endeavor to sell them a first-class organ or piano at such low figures that 'twill make their heads dizzy.

Look out! for J. J. Rogers, the organ and piano man.

GOOD NEWSPAPERS

at a Very Low Price.

The Semi-Weekly News (Galveston or Dallas) is published Tuesdays and Fridays Each issue consists of 8 pages. There are special departments for the farmers, the ladies and the boys and girls, besides a world of general news matter, illustrated articles, etc. We offer

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We carry a nice line of perfumes and toilet waters—such imported brands as Pinaud, Bellatrey, Atkinson and Lubin. We also carry quite a line of domestic manufacture. Smith Bros. The Druggists, east side square.

A BUSINESS CHANCE.—If you want to buy a half interest in a first-class machine and blacksmith shop in Ardmore, I. T., call on or write to The Democrat, McKinney, Texas. Terms one-half cash, balance in notes.

M. B. Rexrode, one door south of the Collin County bank will sell you a organ cheaper than any dealer in McKinney, quality considered, either Chicago, Cottage, Packard, Miller, Sterling. Also will order a piano organ of 22 different makes at a closer margin than any dealer in the county, or installment. Give him a call. instruments guaranteed for five years.

REMEMBER

That we only use the best and purest drugs that money will buy in our prescriptions. Smith Bros., Druggists, east side square.

Palace Car paint is the only chemically pure paint, ground in chemically pure linseed oil, on the market and sold under an absolute guarantee by
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TO PHYSICIANS.

We manufacture all our tinctures and syrups from assayed drugs according to last revision of U. S. Pharmacopia and guarantee their purity and strength. Smith Bros., Druggists, east side square.

"How to Cure All Skin Diseases."

Simply apply "Swayne's Ointment." No internal medicine required. Cures tetter, eczema, itch, all eruptions on the face, hands, nose, &c., leaving the skin clear, white and healthy. Its great healing and curative powers are possessed by no other remedy. Ask your druggist for Swayne's Ointment.

Pitcher's Castoria.
Children Cry for

Do you want an organ cheap? If you do, see me at once and I can supply you with any of the following makes: Estey, Camp & Co, Newman Bros, and Western Cottage. J. T. Couch, Bingham block, McKinney, Texas.

I have just added to my stock of house furnishing goods a line of sewing machines, needles, oils, cans, etc.
Respectfully,
J. H. SNEED.

We contract paint work and paper hanging and will guarantee satisfaction at City Drug Store.

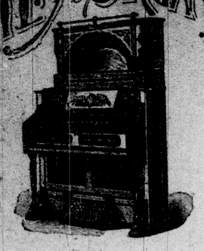
When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

We guarantee Palace Car paint to be chemically pure, to cover more, last longer and make the finest finish of any paint in the market.

J. M. Wilcox & Son.

Never confuse sentiment with business. If I can't cure you, I don't want your money. Respectfully,
DR. SIMMONS, Cough Syrup.
For sale at Denton's Pharmacy.

The EASTEY ORGAN



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JAPAN PERSIMMONS
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"But I was going to tell you about the Canadian game laws being responsible for a nuisance," said the old sportsman. "The deer have the laws down fine, and though you might roam for days without seeing a sign of one of them in the shooting season they are as numerous and intrusive as mosquitoes at other times. The deer, you know, is a species of goat and will develop all a goat's toughness if he gets the idea that you daren't touch him. No small boy could be more insolent than the deer under those circumstances.

"After we finished our dinner the first evening at the cabin on Capen island last August we sat reading and smoking. A deer put his head in the door and ba-a-a-ed at us and winked his eyes and shook his tail in an eager way, as if he was asking for something.

"'What does he want?' we asked the guide.

"'Oh, anything—old clothes or boots, a rubber shoe, tomato cans, anything like that for a change of diet.'

"'We gave him a pair of stockings and a chromo of Mary Anderson. He ate them and bounded away looking as pleased as if his uncle had left him a legacy. That made us laugh, and we hoped he would come back and let us have some more fun with him.

"He did come back before daylight next morning and brought six other deer with him. They ate up two white shirts and some underclothes that were hanging on the line behind the house and roused us up by knocking on the door with their horns. When the guide opened the door, the leading buck butted him into a corner. The other deer crowded in, and they took possession of the place. They upset the lamp, and as many as could get at it drank the kerosene. It made them cough, but didn't abate their curiosity in the least. They all put their noses in the stove and sniffed the ashes. That set them sneezing. The big buck, by turning his horns sideways, got his head into the biscuit barrel. He ate till he was rounded out like a football and then tried to go out to get a drink. But he had forgotten the combination, and the barrel staid right where it was. He gave a loud 'ba a-a-a!' and that frightened him worse than anything, for his voice was baritone, and the barrel made it sound like double bass. Then he started in to back out slowly, shaking his head and keeping it low.

"I and Capen had kept quiet in our bunks. We knew the Canadian law, and we didn't want any trouble with the deer. But they had no idea of leaving us in peace. Two of them caught hold of the blanket that was covering Capen and began to overhaul it.

"'Leggo!' he shouted. But it was no use. They knew the ropes and were not going to be bluffed.

"'Jumping mackerel!' shouted Capen, getting mad. 'I won't stand this any longer. Law or no law, these hoodlums have got to get out of my house.'

"He started to descend from his berth when a wicked looking doe made a jump from the other end of the room and helped him back again. I don't know what would have become of us if it had not been for the barrel. In looking out he tripped over a chair and fell down. The barrel jarred him, and he became panic stricken. He gave a terrific 'ba a-a-a!' and hoisting the barrel up in the air began to charge about blindly. He fell down, turned somersaults, butted the other deer and tried to knock out the end of the cabin. The others were so surprised and frightened at his strange appearance and antics that they stood still and stared open mouthed till two or three of them were knocked galley west. These got up and away, full tickly smash, and the others woke up and slid the whole earth from under themselves at one jump.

"The three of us got up and jumped on the buck. We carried him outside and then let him go, and the way he smashed around through the landscape was a caution. We could trail him by the biscuits. He broke the bottom out of the barrel after awhile, but I guess he's wearing the rest of it yet.

"Of course we were in a great state of alarm for fear the deer would come back, but the guide said:

"'That's all right. I'll fix those fellows.'

"Luckily we had a fine gray wolf skin. This the guide stuffed and planted in a lifelike attitude on the shore where the deer came from the mainland. That afternoon the deer that turned our cabin inside out returned with 25 others. They were all on the broad smile, thinking of the picnic they were going to have till they caught sight of the stuffed wolf. That stopped them as dead as though they had run against a brick wall. They wheeled quick as a flash, and the way they put was a caution.

"After that we had no more trouble, and my advice to men who are going for sport into the wilds of Canada is that they take a stuffed, gray wolf if they want to have peace and comfort."—New York Sun.

The Professional Woman.

Margaret Sangster, writing of women as office workers, says, "The daily wear and tear of nerves, temper and clothing of obligatory office attendance cannot be adequately stated or paid for in dollars and cents, and therefore a woman must love her profession over and above financial gains and pursue it for its own sake if she would find in it the rewards of a chosen career."

Consider how much more you often suffer from your anger and grief than from those very things for which you are angry and grieved.—Marcus Antoninus.

It was a masquerade ball and she recognized him at once. "How did you come to recognize me, darling? was it the loud beating of my heart that gave me away?"

"Oh no," she replied, "it was your crooked legs."—Texas Sifter.

"I remember," said Mrs. Wickwire impressively, "you once said if you had the world you would gladly lay it at my feet."

"Oh, did I?" asked Mr. Wickwire.

"Yes, you did. And now I have to nag at you for three days to get you to lay a carpet."—Indianapolis Journal.

Dobson—"What made you give up that play you were going to have in your amateur dramatic company? Did the actors all back out?"

Fooge—"No; that wasn't the trouble; but our leading lady insisted on wearing a dress with a train three yards long, and the stage is only eight feet by six, so we decided to have a monologue."—Harper's Bazar.

HER FAN.

Flutter of feathers and perfume of laces,
Carved sticks of ivory, daintily white;
Plump little Cupids, with mischievous faces—
Ah, could I but read your expression aright!

Say, do you know, are you wholly unfeeling,
As you pelt one another with roses so sweet?
Do you not know that my heart she is stealing,
To trample it under her pearly shod feet?

Almost I think you exult in the glances
Your owner bestows when she seeks to enslave.
Know you no cure for wounds from love's lances?
Have you no power her victims to save?

Swiftly she whirls in the maze of the dances;
Slyly you laugh as you peep from each fold.
And thus one more victim of coquetry's fancies
Questions in vain—his fate is untold.

—Lucy Mayo Warner in Boston Budget.

CRANKY GUESTS.

Experience of Hotel Clerks In Dealing With Some of Them.

"I cannot sleep in that room," said a guest at a hotel in this city last evening as he walked to the desk in the office and threw the key upon it.

"What is the matter with it?" asked the clerk.

"There is nothing the matter with it except that the bed is in the wrong place," the guest replied. "For more than 20 years I have slept in a bed with the head toward the north, and it has become such a habit with me that it would be actually impossible for me to sleep with the head in any other direction."

"It will be impossible for me to give you a room containing a bed with the head in that direction," said the clerk. "The hotel is well filled tonight, and I have only two vacant rooms, but I will have the bed turned for you." Calling a porter, the clerk instructed him to turn the bed in the gentleman's room so that the head would be to the north. The guest followed the porter up stairs, and as nothing further was heard from him it is presumed that he retired and slept peacefully.

"There is no accounting for tastes," said the clerk, turning to the reporter, "and the funny experiences we have in the hotel business would fill a volume. Before the night is over we may have calls for beds with their heads turned to every point of the compass, and of course we are obliged to accommodate every one.

"I remember an instance like this several years ago. A man slightly inebriated came into the hotel one night, and producing a pocket compass said that he wished a room where the head of the bed should be placed to the northeast. We sent two boys with him, and they turned the bed as requested. The joke was that the compass was furnished with a little stop, which held the indicator in a certain position. It so happened that the gentleman's bed, which had been carefully placed northeast according to the compass, was in reality placed with the head to the south. The man discovered his mistake the next morning and was cured of the fad."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Cremation Growing In Favor.

The movement in favor of cremation as against earth burial is growing in England. The other day Mr. William Rathbone, ex M. P., stated in public that he had made provision for cremation in his own case on principle and with a view to promoting the reform. At this moment a new crematorium is almost ready for use at Liverpool. It is a neat building of red sandstone, simple and chaste in design. The main door opens into a small chapel. From this room the coffin will be carried after the burial service is read into a small apartment beyond and there placed upon an iron frame running on wheels and rails in a line with the furnace and pushed noiselessly into the abode of flames.

From the chapel the clergyman, followed by the relatives of the deceased, will ascend a stair on the opposite side from the door by which the coffin has been removed into a small gallery overlooking the door of the furnace. From this gallery the service prescribed for the grave will be read and the mourners will take the last look of the coffin as it disappears within the furnace. The situation of the crematorium at Anfield is wisely chosen, being in the heart of a pretty suburban neighborhood and accessible from all parts of the city. There is an office, with a cottage for the caretaker attached, at the entrance gate. The crematorium will be opened for public use not later than April 1.—Westminster Gazette.

The Mascot Worked.

Otto Feudner has been buying lottery tickets for years and has never won so much as an approximation prize. He concluded that he would have to get a mascot, so on the advice of a colored friend he set a box trap out in the cemetery to catch a graveyard rabbit.

Feudner caught a great big fellow the first night and put him in a big dry goods box. It was the day before the drawing, so to make sure that the mascot would work all right Feudner put $25 worth of tickets in the box with the rabbit. After the drawing he went to see what he had won.

The mascot had worked. It had eaten up all the lottery tickets.—San Francisco Post.

Unidentified Rivers.

The first rivers mentioned in authentic history are alluded to in Genesis. They are the Pison, the Gihon, the Hiddekel and the Euphrates, which are said to have flowed from the garden of Eden. Various attempts have been made to identify these streams, but no agreement has been reached among the authorities save in the case of the last.

Temperance Shoes.

Customer—I notice some shoes in the window that you have labeled "Temperance shoes." What kind are they?

Dealer—They are warranted not to be tight.—London Tit Bits.

North Dakota, though still young, employs 1,847 hands in her factories and sends out every year $5,628,107 worth of product.

A South Carolina negro has refused a challenge from a brother in black because the challenger used a lead pencil in writing his note.

Shocking Taste—"Gamsby was a man of atrocious ideas."

"Yes, the wretch had red hair and committed suicide with paris green"—Chicago Record.

Maud—"What is the quarrel between Alice and Kate?"

Ethel—"Well, you see, Alice asked Kate to tell her just what she thought of her."

Maud—"Yes."

Ethel—"Kate told her."—Tit Bits.

Repartee—"Kitty," he said to his wife, "you're clever, but you can't touch my mother at making beaten biscuit."

"Of course not," she replied, "the woman that brought you up had to have a good fist."—Chicago Record.

A FAMOUS EPITAPH.

It Marks In Poughkeepsie the Grave of a Self Exiled Englishman.

There are some interesting epitaphs in the old graveyards in Poughkeepsie, but probably none of them has been so widely known and admired as that on the stone which marks the burial place of John Taylor in front of Christ church, on Academy street. This epitaph has been widely published on both sides of the ocean, it is said, and is believed to have been written by the English poet William Roscoe and sent over for his friend Taylor's gravestone. Yet the stone lies neglected, and the last three lines of the epitaph have been broken off, probably during the work preceding the building of the new church. The epitaph was published in Benson J. Lossing's book on "Vassar College and Its Founder," and was greatly admired and frequently quoted by Matthew Vassar, Jr., as many of his friends remember. The inscription and epitaph on the stone are as follows:

In this spot
was interred
John Taylor
Attorney at Law
the eldest son
of Doctor John Taylor
of Bolton le Moors, England,
who died of the yellow fever
Sept. 11th, 1805.
Aged 43 years.

Far from his kindred friends and native skies
Here mouldering in the dust poor Taylor lies.
Firm was his mind, and fraught with various lore
And his mild heart was never cold before.
He lov'd his country, lov'd the spot of earth
Which gave a Hampden, Milton, Bradshaw birth.
But when that country, dead to all but gain,
Bowed her base neck and hugged the oppressor's chain
Loathing the abject scene he dropped and sighed,
Crossed the wild waves and here untimely died.
Stranger what'er thy country creed or hue
Go and like him the moral path pursue;
Go, and for Freedom every peril brave
And nobly scorn to be or hold a slave.

The last line is one that has been particularly admired and frequently quoted, and it is gone from the stone, which is broken off just after the fourth line from the end. That this stone should have been so mutilated seems little short of vandalism. John Taylor is said to have come to this country about the same time that the Vassar family came, shortly after the close of the American Revolution, and at a time when the English government was repressing all outspoken friends of reform in fear of a repetition in England of the French revolution. He was the uncle of Mr. Hudson Taylor, and the greatuncle of Mr. Robert E. Taylor. His father, Dr. John Taylor, was a very prominent man in England, with many influential friends, one of whom was the poet Roscoe, who wrote the epitaph, which reminds one very much of some of Goldsmith's best lines.—Poughkeepsie Eagle.

THE MOON BOTHERED JULIET.

A Small Japanese Boy Held It and Would Not Go Away.

"While in Japan we went to Tokyo to play 'Romeo and Juliet,'" said Mrs. Potter recently. "We played from 7 o'clock in the morning until 9 o'clock in the evening, as the manager demanded plays that would last all day, and when I told him that we had none of sufficient elasticity he replied that when it was all ended, we would start all over again. Well, we did. The manager was impressed with the necessity of having a moon, and that Juliet, as near as possible, should always be kept in the moonlight.

"Well, the balcony scene arrived, and there was no moon, but in the midst of Romeo's most passionate wooing, which, so far as the light on the stage was concerned, might have taken place at midday, the moon suddenly appeared. It was in the form of a lantern fixed on a bamboo pole and was swayed before my face by a little Jap who stood beneath the balcony in full view of the audience. The audience didn't seem to mind it in the least, but it made me very nervous, and every time Romeo would pour forth his soul I would ejaculate, 'Take away that moon.' But the boy was mindful of his instructions, that Juliet was always to be in the moonlight, and during the rest of the performance every time I came on the stage I was pursued by that awful moon. Nothing could induce the boy to desist, and so the moon held full sway."—Rochester Union and Advertiser.

Americans In Nova Scotia.

A lady of Nova Scotia, writing to the Boston Transcript, says that the Americans who visit Nova Scotia are almost without exception pleasant and well mannered people. "We note some slight difference between their speech and ours. Their voices are higher and sharper, and they are more up to date as to slang. I am afraid that in our heart of hearts we feel ourselves a little superior in repose of manner, for the rollicking enjoyment of the ordinary American when on a holiday in Nova Scotia is, perhaps, too evident. But when the patience with which they endure many inconveniences, the zest with which they enter into any pleasures that come in their way, and the good will with which they are ever ready to help any charitable scheme which may be afoot in a place where they are staying are put in the scale against the loudness which sometimes offends us, the trifling peculiarity kicks the beam."

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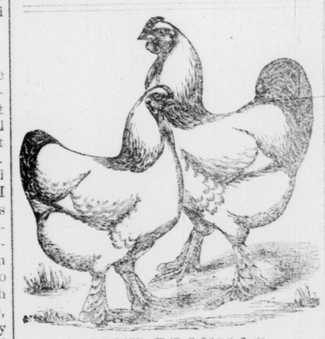

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